

Whatcom County

Population 2003

Population	174,500
Change from 1990	+31%
Forecast to 2025	+41%
Median Age	35

Source: State of WA Office of Financial Mgmt - Data Book

Economy 2002

Total Employment	70,309
Companies	6,634
Total Annual Wages (billion)	\$2.0
Average Annual Wage	\$25,185
Taxable Retail Sales (billion)	\$2.2

Transportation and Public Utilities Sector

Companies	254
Employment	3,010
Payroll (million)	\$96.5

Trucking and Warehousing

Companies	123
Employment	1,004
Payroll (million)	\$30.4

Source: State of WA Office of Financial Mgmt - Data Book

Source: WA Dept. of Employment Security - County Profiles

Transportation Facilities & Systems 2003

Vehicle Registrations	175,725
Licensed Drivers	126,036

County Road Mileage

Principal Arterial	29
Minor Arterial	55
Collector	94
Interstate	34

Source: State of WA Office of Financial Mgmt - Data Book

Source: WSDOT - Transportation Data Office Staff

Highway Usage 2002

<u>SR</u>	<u>Avg Daily Traffic Vol</u>
I-5	3,700 - 56,000
SR9	2,000 - 6,300
SR11	1,700 - 16,000
SR539	5,000 - 46,000
SR542	340 - 34,000
SR543	9,400 - 11,000

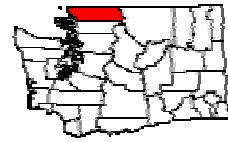
Source: WSDOT - Transportation Data Office

Freight Data 2002

Total Truck Routes (miles)	74
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<u>SR</u>	<u>Desig</u>	<u>Annual Tons (Million)</u>
I-5	T-1 (>10M tons per yr)	18.0
SR9	T-2 (4M to 10M tons per yr)	4.0
SR539	T-2 (4M to 10M tons per yr)	9.1
SR542	T-2 (4M to 10M tons per yr)	5.6
SR543	T-1 (>10M tons per yr)	17.8
SR546	T-2 (4M to 10M tons per yr)	5.8
SR548	T-2 (4M to 10M tons per yr)	5.1

Source: WSDOT - Freight Office



WSDOT Major Projects (>\$1M) 9/04

Completed

I-5 Samish Way to Sunset Drive

Under Construction

I-5 Lakeview Drive Interchange
SR542 Wells Creek Road to Mt Baker Vicinity
SR20 Rock Slide Ditch
SR20 North Cascades

Design Phase

I-5 SB Ramps at SR11 / Old Fairhaven Parkway
I-5 Bakerview Road to Nooksack River Bridge
SR9 Nooksack Road Vicinity to Cherry Street
SR539 Horton Road to Ten Mile Road
SR539 Ten Mile Road to International Border
SR543 - I-5 to Canadian Border

Planning

NA

Route Development Plans

SR539 Bellingham to US/Canadian Border
SR546 SR539 to SR9
SR548 I-5 to Blaine

Source: WSDOT - Projects

Source: WSDOT - Route Development Plans

County Projects 2003

Completed

Lake Whatcom Boulevard Bridge

Under Construction

Vista Drive - Ferndale
Sunrise Road
Mosquito Lake Road

Design Phase

Chuckanut Drive
Tyee Drive
Potter Road Bridge
E/N Lake Samish Drive Interchange
Mosquito Lake Road
Semiahmoo Drive

Planning

Lake Louise Road
Kickerville Road

Source: County Public Works Departments

Source: Regional & Metropolitan Transportation Planning Orgs

Other Modes 2003

Air	3 Airports (1 with Regularly Scheduled Service) Bellingham International Airport 6,751 foot runway 86,990 Annual Enplanements
Marine	2 Berths \$428.5M Annual Trade
Rail	Burlington Northern Santa Fe Project Planning - Bellingham-GP Area Upgrades
Transit	Whatcom Transit Authority Annual Boardings (million) 3 Annual Vehicle Miles (million) 1.3

Source: WSDOT - Aviation Division

Source: Washington Public Ports Association

Source: WA State Dept of Community Trade & Economic Dev.

Source: WSDOT - Public Transportation Office or Rail Office